

New Jersey - Today, Congressman John Adler marked the one year anniversary of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act being signed into law. The legislation, which Congressman Adler cosponsored, overturned the Supreme Court decision that kept women from pursuing pay discrimination claims, and will help close the wage gap in our country.

"Women deserve equal pay for equal work," Congressman Adler said. "Wage discrimination hurts New Jersey's families. I will continue to support measures that strengthen our economy and middle class families."

As one of his first votes in Congress, Congressman Adler voted to pass the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009. The law will help close the wage gap, with women still earning 78 cents for every \$1 a man earns in the United States. He also recently sponsored H.R. 2764, For the Relief of Lilly M. Ledbetter. This legislation would provide Lilly Ledbetter with the retroactive payments that she was originally awarded, but then denied by the Supreme Court ruling.